

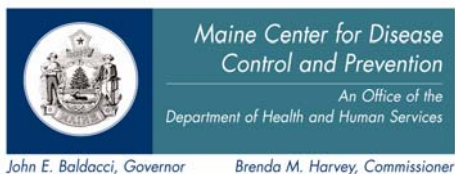
Office of Data, Research and Vital Statistics

Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Maine Department of Health and Human Services

State and federal statutes require registration of vital events such as births, deaths, marriages, adoptions, induced abortions, miscarriages, and fetal deaths. Statistical information on the health status of Maine people is needed to identify and monitor public health issues. An evaluation of the adequacy of the health care system requires information on the number, distribution and characteristics of health personnel.

The Office of Data, Research and Vital Statistics (ODRVS) administers Maine's vital registration/statistics system. It provides quantitative information needed for surveillance, policy development, and program planning, management and evaluation. The ODRVS produces detailed population estimates for use within and outside the Department of Health and Human Services and collects and compiles data on health status and health resources. The office provides technical assistance and consultation on survey procedures and statistical analysis. It is an affiliate state census data center.



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The Office of Data, Research and Vital Statistics (ODRVS) provides data and technical assistance to public and private organizations and businesses, and the general public annually. Approximately 11,000 certified copies of vital records are issued annually, 7,000 requests for services are processed, and 40,000 telephone calls for information are received.

Survey Operations Unit

- ❑ Conducts surveys of 15 licensed health care professions, including physicians, dentists, and physician assistants.
- ❑ Maintains the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS).
- ❑ Maintains the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).
- ❑ Administers the Electronic Birth Certificate system.
- ❑ Prepares and distributes FACT Sheets on public health topics.
- ❑ Surveys private schools for enrollment counts used in estimating population.

Statistical Services Unit

- ❑ Analyzes data, prepares reports and provides computer services for the ODRVS.
- ❑ Prepares and compiles birth and death statistics and population data.
- ❑ Prepares electronic data files for and transmits them to the National Center for Health Statistics, the Social Security Administration, and other agencies.
- ❑ Provides data, technical assistance and consultation on research methods and statistical techniques to other state agencies.
- ❑ Coordinates the Crash Outcome Data Evaluation System (CODES).

Office of Vital Records

- ❑ Provides vital registration services.
- ❑ Collects and maintains records of birth, death, fetal death, marriage, divorce and domestic partnership, issuing copies on request.
- ❑ Ensures compliance with the statutes, rules and policies relating to vital records.

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